

APPENDIX1

Consultation response received	Response
1.2 Capital letters for Fair Trading etc	Amended
Page 6 Does this include a single speeding fine	Added the word may refer if a serious nature
Page 7 How do we know which officers are authorised	Officers will carry identification and authorisations can be checked during normal office hours.
6.8 Will a notice of appeal be gived	Added that a written notice of appeal will be sent
7.1 Don't agree no refunds	Added unless considered appropriate by committee
7.2 Need to discuss to allow for starting application without all necessary paper work	Added supporting documentation can be submitted at a later date, but plate/badge/licence will not be issued until all necessary documentation is received
8.1(b) Medical objection to passing to occ health doctor	Already discussed. Previous decision sent
1.3 Would like to discuss	Discussed this has not changed since 2007 and has not caused a problem
Page 16(a) Objection to take knowledge test	The purpose is to familiarise the perpetrator with the conditions of licence. Added if breaches are association with licence conditions.
3. Capital V	Amended
1.10 Too harsh	Not changed as it is a public safety issue and follows government guidance
Page 17 10.1 (a) Would like to discuss	Split into not displaying and not in working order
11.2 Failure to return plate after expiry	Added if requested to do so
11.3 Failure to report loss – driver not always aware	Added following discovery of loss
12.1 Has Council kept a record of advertising	Yes since 2007
17.2 Failure to notify Council of changes of driver	Added word permanent changes
24.4 Disagrees with providing alcoholic drinks not in accordance with the sale or supply of alcohol legislation	Licensing Act 2003 Section 149 (3) states A person commits an offence if – (a) he buys or attempts to buy alcohol on behalf of an individual aged under 18 This has been added as it is a growing problem at the request of other drivers, who required clarification on the matter.
1.5 How will PH drivers parking in a location without a booking – how will this be determined	In the usual way, by checking if it is near a place where the public would expect to see a taxi ie, if p/h parked by the Barrels or the back of Macdonalds, it could be plying. If they are parked in a car park on Whitecross Road then it wouldn't be.
10.1 Too harsh as no public safety issue	This will be left in as it is a public safety can be affected if we can't send out suspension notices for example
10.4 Too harsh what if in a coma or life threatening surely not the most important thing to remember	Added before resuming work as a dual driver
13.2 Failure to keep vehicle reasonably clean D39 No points allocated	Added in 2 points
13.3 Failure to notify Council of vehicle damage within 72 hours and present vehicle if requested to do so D40 6 Too harsh most damage on a fairly regular basis consists of very minor damage	Added word serious
2.1 Failure to produce evidence of insurance cover to the Council O3 4	There should never be a gap as cover notes are issued and can be faxed immediately

Too harsh often a gap between insuring and receiving documentation	
8.7 Using the words taxi or cab without having at least 70% of the fleet licensed as hackney carriages. O16 2 This only relates to advertising but not on a vehicle	Added word company advertising
7. (b) Failure to proceed to another rank when at the time of arrival rank is full B7 2 NB Unless there are enough rank spaces this will mean going around in circles	A hackney can be hailed in the street, therefore it is not the norm to provide full ranking for all licensed hackneys. We will always consider suggestions for new ranks.
Page 24 17. Failure to deposit lost property to the offices of the Council within 48 hours of discovery B15 2 Would like to discuss	Have added Police. Operators must pass lost property in as the passenger may have got the taxi off the rank and not know which company it is. I am aware a lot of operators do not hand it in.
18. Plying for hire whilst static at a place which is not a rank B16 3 What if in a traffic queue and a person asks you to pull over etc	Presumably you do not ply for hire whilst in a traffic queue, if you are hailed that is not an offence.